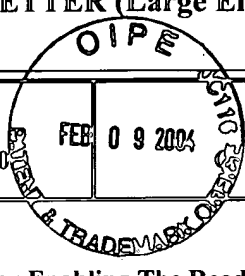
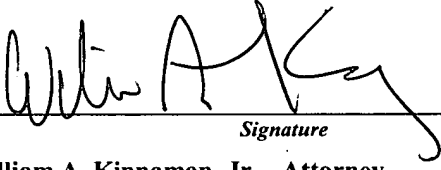
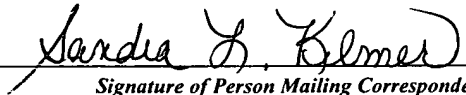


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Serial No. <b>09/726,777</b>	Filing Date <b>November 30, 2000</b>		Examiner <b>E. Anya et al</b>	Group Art Unit <b>1975</b>	
Invention: <b>Method, Apparatus and Program Storage Device For Enabling The Reading of Data From A Named Pipe While Minimizing The Use of System Resources</b>					
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Title: METHOD, APPARATUS AND : International Business Machines Corporation  
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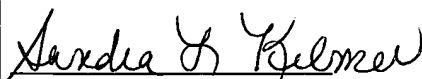
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